



WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY
Libraries

To: Matt Hudelson, Executive Secretary

From: Thomas Rotolo, Chair, Library Committee

Date: March 31, 2026

RE: Master of Science in Artificial Intelligence (MS AI)

The Faculty Senate Library Committee discussed the proposal for the MS in AI on March 27, 2026. While the committee supports the proposal, we feel it is important to note that the WSU library cancelled Lecture Notes in Computer Science two years ago and the library is facing another potential budget cut for AY 27. The IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) package at \$241,655 annually would be up for cancellation if the library needed to make substantial reductions to the serials budget. Additionally, the library has not been able to add new subscriptions in recent times, and with the emerging nature of AI, there may be new resources that it would not be able to support. Continued budget cuts would certainly impact the library's ability to support a program like this.